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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114
AND AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Official Action of 07/20/2005 (the "Official Action"), for which an Amendment and Response was due on 10/20/2005, now extended three (3) months to 01/20/2006, the Applicants hereby request continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114.

In further response to the Official Action, the Applicants amend the claims as provided herein and comment on all prior bases for rejection:

Amendments to the Claims: pages 2- 6

Remarks/Arguments: pages 7- 10